



STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
HEALTH RELATED BOARDS
665 MAINSTREAM DRIVE
NASHVILLE, TN 37243

DECLARATION OF CITIZENSHIP
MUST ACCOMPANY ALL APPLICATIONS FOR INITIAL LICENSURE OR REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSURE

The "SAVE Act" requires Tennessee Department of Health (including all Boards, Commissions, and contractors), along with every local health department in the State, to verify that *every adult* applicant for a professional license is either a U.S. citizen, a "qualified alien," or a nonimmigrant who meets the requirements set out at 8 U.S.C. 1621.

I am a(n) _____
Healthcare Profession (Please Print) License number if applicable

Please Print Legibly

1. Name: _____
Last First Middle Maiden_
2. Mailing Address: _____
3. Phone Number: Home: (____)____-____ Office: (____)____-____ Fax: (____)____-____
4. I am a United States Citizen: ____Yes ____No
5. I am a foreign national not physically present in the United States ____Yes ____No. If you answered yes, to this question please sign this form in the presence of a notary and return it with your application. No further documentation is required.
6. Applicants Claiming United States Citizenship **MUST** provide one of the following:
 - a) Tennessee Driver's License, or photo ID issued by Department of Safety.
 - b) A valid driver license or ID issued by another state, provided its issuance requirements meet Department of Safety criteria.
 - c) An official birth certificate issued by a U.S. state, territory, or other jurisdiction. Puerto Rican birth certificates issued before July 1, 2010 do not count.
 - d) A federally issued birth certificate.
 - e) A valid, unexpired U.S. passport.
 - f) A report of birth abroad of a U.S. citizen.
 - g) A certificate of citizenship.
 - h) A certificate of naturalization.
 - i) A U.S. citizen ID card.
 - j) Any successor document to #'s a-i above.
 - k) SSN that the entity or local health department may verify with the Social Security Administration in accordance with federal law.
7. If you checked "No" in question 4 please indicate from the list below which category applies to you: (circle one)
 - a) Permanent Residents

- b) A nonimmigrant applicant for a professional or commercial license whose visa for entry into the United States is related to such employment, or a nonimmigrant under the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101 *et seq.*).
- c) Asylees who meet the qualifications set out in 8 U.S.C. 1158
- d) Refugees who meet the qualifications set out in 8 U.S.C. 1157
- e) Persons who have been "paroled into the United States," under 8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5) or whose deportation has been withheld under 8 U.S.C. 1253.
- f) Cuban or Haitian entrants as defined by section 501(e) of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980
- g) Persons granted conditional entry into the U.S. under 8 U.S.C. 1153(a)(7) before April 1, 1980, because of persecution or fear of persecution on account of race, religion, or political opinion or because of being uprooted by catastrophic national calamity.
- h) An alien who has been "battered" or subjected to "extreme cruelty" by a parent or spouse as defined by 8 U.S.C. 1641(c), and also meets the qualifications set out 8 U.S.C. 1641(c)(1)(B). Under the circumstances set out in 8 U.S.C. 1641(c)(2) and (3), victims' children, or the parents of children who are victims, may also apply for benefits as qualified aliens.

Applicants claiming **qualified alien status** (question 7 above), please submit two of the following forms of "documentation of identity and immigration status" as determined by U.S. Homeland Security to be acceptable for verification through the SAVE program. Common types of documents used to verify immigration status are listed below. (Note: If you can provide only one document, your status will be verified through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's SAVE program):

I-327 (Reentry Permit)

I-551 (Permanent Resident Card or "Green Card")

I-571 (Refugee Travel Document)

I-766 (Employment Authorization Card)

Machine Readable Immigrant Visa (with Temporary I-551 language)

Temporary I-551 stamp (on passport or I-94)

I-94 (Arrival/Departure record)

Unexpired foreign passport

WT/WB Admission Stamp in unexpired foreign passport

I-20 (Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant F(1) student status- "student visa")

DS2019 (Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor (J-1) Status)

I affirm under the penalty of perjury that the above is true and correct.

Signed this ____ day of _____, 20__.

Signature

Sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 20__.

NOTARY PUBLIC

AFFIX SEAL HERE

My Commission Expires: _____

If an applicant is discovered to be an unqualified alien, or otherwise ineligible for benefits under the Act, all recurring benefits provided to that applicant must be immediately terminated. Anyone who purposefully makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim of U.S. citizenship or qualified alien status will be liable under the Tennessee Medicaid False Claims Act, or Tennessee's False Claims Act. Any person who conspires to defraud the state or any local health department by securing a false claim allowed or paid to another person in violation of the Act may be liable under Tennessee's False Claims Act. Upon discovery of an applicant's false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim of U.S. citizenship, state governmental entities and local health departments must also file a criminal complaint with the United States Attorney.